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September 26, 2018

Jeff S. Jordan
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1050 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20436

Attn: Donna Rawls, Paralegal

Re: MUR 7440

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is in response to your letter dated July 30, 2018 to Mr. Tony Souza, Treassurer (SIC), The New PAC, based on a complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") by the self-described "nonpartisan" Campaign Legal Center ("CLC"), a leftist partisan political organization. While your letter was dated July 30, 2018, it only came to my client's attention yesterday and I was consequently engaged as counsel. We therefore request that this response be considered by both your office and the Commission, and that upon review, this matter be dismissed.

The CLC complaint states that New PAC has paid Paramount Business Jets \$5,518 since March of 2018 for air transportation. CLC Complaint at 4. That statement is true. The CLC complaint then states that The New PAC violated 52 U.S.C. § 30114(c)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 100.93(c)(2) by making an expenditure for travel on its behalf aboard non-commercial aircraft. CLC Complaint at 7. That statement is false. The aircraft utilized by Paramount Business Jets for the air transportation on behalf of The New PAC complies with all Commission regulations, as detailed by the document enclosed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any additional questions.

Very truly yours,

Elliot S. Berke

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Enclosure Enclosure

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U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation

#### **Operations Specifications**

A001. Issuance and Applicability

HQ Control: 05/09/2003

HQ Revision: (

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a. These operations specifications are issued to TRIDENT AIRCRAFT, INC, whose principal base of operation is located at:

Primary Business Address:

Mailing Address:

9475 Jet Lane

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Easton, Maryland 21601

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The holder of these operations specifications is the holder of Air Carrier Certificate Number 1TBA867N and shall hereafter be referred to as the certificate holder. The certificate holder is authorized to conduct:

On	operations	Common carriage pursuant to	119.21(a)(5)	and provided, at all times, the certificate
Demand	in	Title 14 Code of Federal	- On-	holder has appropriate written economic
ł		Regulations (CFR)	Demand	authority issued by the Department of
<u> </u>		Section		Transportation.

The certificate holder shall conduct these kinds of operations in accordance with the specific authorizations, limitations, and procedures in these operations specifications and all appropriate Parts of the CFR.

- b. These operations specifications are effective as of the "Date Approval is effective" listed in each paragraph and shall remain in effect as long as the certificate holder continues to meet the requirements of Part 119 as specified for certification.
- c. The certificate holder is authorized to use only the business name which appears on the certificate to conduct the operations described in subparagraph a.
- d. The certificate holder is authorized to conduct flights under 14 CFR Part 91 for crewmember training, maintenance tests, ferrying, re-positioning, and the carriage of company officials using the applicable authorizations in these operations specifications, without obtaining a Letter of Authorization, provided the flights are not conducted for compensation or hire and no charge of any kind is made for the conduct of the flights.

TRIDENT AIRCRAFT, INC

A001-1 Amdt. No: 1 Certificate No.: ITBA867N

#### **Operations Specifications**

- 1. Issued by the Federal Aviation Administration.
- 2. These Operations Specifications are approved by direction of the Administrator.



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3. I hereby accept and receive the Operations Specifications in this paragraph.

Midyette, David Charles, Agent for Service

Date

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Certificate No.: 1TBA867N



### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

## Statement of Designation of Counsel Provide one-form for each Respondent/Witness

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The above named individual and/or firm is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.
Date Signature Title
RESPONDENT: TONY SOUZA TECASULES The New PAC (Committee Name/Company Name/Individual Named in Notification Lorrer)
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This form relates to a Federal Election Commission matter that is subject to the confidentiality provisions of 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12)(A). This section prohibits making public any notification or

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